(ख) से (ङ) क्षेत्रों की प्रगति को बढ़ाने के संबंध में टन्डन समिति की मुख्य सिफारिशें थीं कि सीप्ज तथा काफ्टज के अलावा 5 या 6 क्षेत्र आवश्यक अवस्थापना के साथ स्वायत्वित किए जाएं, भारतीय तथा विदेशी बड़ी फर्मों को क्षेत्रों में पूंजी निवेश के लिए प्रोत्साहित किया जाए और उन क्षेत्र एककों को आयात प्रणाली की स्थिथिलता देते हुए घरेलू प्रशुल्क क्षेत्रों में उत्पादन का 25% बेचने की अनुमति दी जाए। सरकार ने इन सिफारिशों को लागू कर दिया है। एकीकृत अवस्थापना के साथ फाल्टों नौयड़ा, मद्रास तथा कोचीन में चार नए क्षेत्र स्थापित किए गए हैं। आयात प्रणाली को नरमी में घरेलू प्रशुल्क क्षेत्र में उत्पादन के 25% तक बिक्री के लिए अनुमति मामला दर मामला आधार पर दी जाएगी जोकि समुचित शुल्कों की अदायगी के अध्ययधीन होगी ।

टंडन समिति ने काफ्टज सहित सभी निर्यात संसाधन क्षेत्रों के विकास तथा प्रशासन के लिए एक केन्द्रीय सम्मिलित प्राधिकरण बनाने की भी सिफारिश की थी। यह सुझाव सरकार के विचाराधीन है।

**दिल्ली पुलिस के महानगर भत्ते में वृद्धि**

1022. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :** क्या गृह मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि क्या दिल्ली पुलिस में कार्यरत कांस्टेबलों, हैड कांस्टेबलों, सहायक सब इंस्पेक्टरों और सब इंस्पैक्टरों को दिए जाने वाले महानगर भत्ते में कोई वृद्धि की गई है और यदि हां, तो कितनी-कितनी और किस आधार पर?

**कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा गृह मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी. चिदम्बरम्) :** चौथे वेतन आयोग की सिफारिशों पर सरकार द्वारा लिए गए निर्णय के बाद 1-10-1986 से दिल्ली पुलिस कार्मिकों को देय महानगर (पुलिस) भत्ते को बढ़ाकर उप-निरीक्षकों के लिए 30 रु. से 90 रु. प्रतिमाह तथा निम्न रैंकों के लिए 20 रु. से 60 रु. प्रतिमाह कर दिय गया है।

**Depletion of *Forest* Wealth**

1023. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is an over-use of forest wealth both due to intended and unintended reasons all over the country leading to a rapid depletion of forest cover; and

(b) what was the Statewise forest cover over the last three years and what would it be during the Seventh Five Year Plan period ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No survey has been carried out to I assess Slate-wise forest cover for the last I three years. The Forest Survey of India I has initiated continuous monitoring of forest cover of the country on a two-year cycle.

**Reconstitution of Coffee Board**

1024. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Coffee Board has recently been reconstituted in order to improve its working, including production and exports; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) and (b) In accordance with the provisions of the Coffee Act, the Coffee Board has been reconstituted for a period of three years w. e. f. 28th August, 1987 for carrying out the various functions envisaged in the Act. The Board as presently constituted provides balanced representation to the various interests connected with the Coffee industry. Besides Chairman, members of Parliament, representatives of Government's of the Principal coffee growing states, other States, large growers, small growers, coffee curing establishments, coffee trade, labour,

coffee consumers, instant coffee manufacturers, and an eminent personality in the field of research/marketing/management of coffee have been included in the Board. The Board has succeeded in carrying out the functions entrusted to it by the Coffee Act.

**Appointment of the Commissioner of Fisheries, Gujarat as a Member of MPEDA**

1025. SHRI P. N. SUKUL: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have appointed Shri Christie Fernandes, Commissioner of Fisheries, Gujarat, as a member of the Marine Products Exports Development Authority,

(b) if so, whether Government are aware that the present Secretary of the Fisheries Department, Gujarat, has refused permission to Shri Christie for attending the last two meetings of the Authority and has suggested to the Authority that he should be appointed a member of the same in place of Shri Christie; and

(c) if so, what action do Government propose to take to ensure that Shri Christie is able to attend the meetings of the Authority in future ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Government are not aware that the Secretary of the Fisheries Department of Government of Gujarat has re- j fused peran'ssion to Shri Christie Fernandes to attend meetings of MPEDA. On receipt of a proposal now from the Government of Gujarat, action has been taken for appointing Secretary, Ports, Transport and Fisheries Department of that Government as member of MPEDA in place of Commissioner of Fisheries.

1026. *[Transferred to the 11th November,* 1987. ]

**Bank Robbery in State Bank of Mysore Branch in Connaught Place, New Delhi**

1027. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any arrests have been made in connection with the bank robbery case in the State Bank of Mysore branch in Connaught Place, New Delhi, in the month of May, 1986; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE I MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) In the incident of burglary, also involving double murder, in the State Bank of Mysore, Connaught Place branch, New Delhi, in the month of May, 1986, Rs. 9. 68 lakhs in cash, some foreign currency and gold ornaments, were stolen. In this connection, 2 persons were arrested on suspicion. The finger-prints lifted from the spot have tallied with the sample finger impression of one of the accused persons arrested. Part of the stolen cash/property lias also been recovered.

**Regional Minimum Wage Policy for Certain Industries**

1028. SHRI N. E. BALARAM:

SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal under their consideration for introducing a regional minimum wage policy for certain industries; and

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) and (b) The question of Regional Minimum Wage was considered in the 36th Session of the Labour Ministers' Conference. One of the conclusions of the Conference was that the regional minimum wages may be considered employmentwise for selected employment (s) and the Regional Advisory forum will go into specific employment(s) where